

9 May 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: SNIE 36.4-60 THE OUTLOOK FOR LEBANON

BACKGROUND

1. This special estimate was requested on a crash basis by DD/P for use in operational planning. The need for a coordinated estimate was felt as a result of differences of view between the Beirut Embassy and the station concerning the election outlook.

CIRCUMSTANCE

2. We encountered no great difficulties in coordinating this estimate, and anticipate no disagreements in the USIB. DD/P was represented at both the Board and the coordination meetings. Their representative informed us that the paper met their needs, and they had no basic disagreement with it.

FOR THE BOARD OF NATIONAL ESTIMATES:

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